

BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS HELD ON
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1987 AT 8:30 A.M., H-769, SGW CAMPUS

ATTENDANCE: Present: Mr. D. W. McNaughton, Chairman, Ms. L. Bellamy, Dr. C. Draimin, Mr. J. N. Economides, Mr. L. Ellen, Dr. T. Fancott, Mr. J. Roy Firth, Me A. Gervais, Q.C. Prof. G. Gross, Dr. H. Habib, Dr. P. Kenniff, Mr. L. Ian MacDonald, Mr. Paul E. Martin, Mr. A. H. Michell, Dr. H. W. Proppe, Mr. P. Shea, Ms. K. Takaes, Mr. C. I. Taylor, Mr. S. White.
 Officers of the University: Dr. M. Cohen, Dr. J. C. Giguère, Dr. F. R. Whyte.
 Secretary: Rev. A. Graham, S. J.

Absent with apologies: Mr. M. J. Bourgault, C. M., Mme M. J. Drouin, Mr. R. K. Groome, O.C. Mr. T. Hecht, Me J. J. Pepper, Q. C. Mr. J. H. Smith, Mme L. Watier.

Absent: Ms. S. Cappelli, Ms. F. Collins, Mr. W. W. Stinson.

DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED AND ATTACHED TO THESE MINUTES

PC-87-1-D1 - Appointment of Dean, Faculty of Engineering & Computer Science.

1. Chairman's Remarks

The Chairman announced that the Committee to Search for a Chancellor had met at 8 o'clock this morning and confirmed the nomination of Chief Justice Alan B. Gold of Quebec Superior Court to the position of Chancellor of the University. Mr. McNaughton reviewed the impressive curriculum vitae of Justice Gold. Of particular interest to this Board is the fact that he was a member of the Board of Governors of McGill University and Chairman of that body for five years (1977 to 1983).

It was moved and seconded (Kenniff, Gervais) and unanimously RESOLVED:

R87-7 THAT Chief Justice Alan B. Gold be appointed Chancellor of Concordia University from today, February 5, 1987, to December 31, 1991.

3. Me Gervais informed the meeting that the Personnel Committee had met at 8:15 this morning and confirmed a nomination for Dean of the Faculty of Engineering & Computer Science. He requested Vice-Rector Whyte to present the nomination. Dr. Whyte distributed copies of PC-87-1-D1. He summarized the work of the Search Committee and informed the meeting that Dr. M. N. Srikanta Swamy was being unanimously

recommended by the Search Committee for reappointment as Dean of Engineering & Computer Science

It was moved and seconded (Whyte, Economides) and unanimously RESOLVED:

R87-8 THAT Dr. M. N. Srikanta Swamy be appointed Dean of Engineering & Computer Science from 1 June 1987 to 31 May 1992.

4. The Minister of Higher Education and Science, Mr. Ryan, has proposed to Premier Bourassa certain transitional measures for the funding of operating and capital expenses of Quebec universities. These include foregoing compression of University grants, the retention of present funding of additional students, \$15 million over a two-year period to retire accumulated debt and \$35 million as capital funding for the updating of scientific equipment. Although this solution would not be ideal in the long term it would be beneficial to Concordia at the present time. The Rector is proposing that the Board express its approval of the Minister's action. The Board of several other Quebec universities have already done so.

It was moved and seconded (Kenniff, Gervais) and unanimously RESOLVED:

R87-9 THAT the Board of Governors of Concordia University mandates the Rector & Vice-Chancellor to express its support for the of Higher Education and Sciences publicly-stated intention to obtain additional funding for Quebec universities in 1987-88 and 1988-89, as a transitional measure toward the institution of an equitable and sufficient formula for the funding of operating and capital expenses of Quebec universities

 THAT the Board of Governors considers the Minister's proposal to the Premier, as reported in the media, to contain a positive response to the hearings of the Parliamentary Commission held in the fall of 1986 and an encouraging step toward bringing the level Of funding available to Quebec universities LIP to the Canadian average in the near future.

 THAT the Board of Governors further states its hope that it will be possible within this proposal to respond favourably to Concordia's specific needs as demonstrated in its brief to the National Assembly Commission hearings on the funding of universities. The Board is particularly concerned that the government respond positively and quickly to Concordia's proposal to amortize its accumulated operating deficit.

- 4.1 The Rector recommended to the members of the Board that they visit the Concordia Art Gallery and view the exhibit of Milton Avery, an American artist who worked for a time in Canada.

5. The Chairman announced that the next meeting will be on Wednesday, February 18, 1987 at 8:00 a.m. The Vice-Chairman, Me Gervais will chair the meeting.

PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE IN DATE FROM THURSDAY TO WEDNESDAY.

- 5.1 The meeting terminated at 8:50 a.m.

Aloysius Graham, S.J.,
Secretary